

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Frank Himmelsbach, et al) Confirm. No.: 7351
Serial No.: 10/016,280) Art Unit: 1624
Filed: December 10, 2001) Examiner: Tamthom N. Truong
For: Bicyclic heterocycles, pharmaceutical compositions containing these
compounds, their use and processes for preparing them
Docket No.: 5/1262

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AMENDMENT

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This is in response to a communication from the Examiner in charge of the subject application, which communication was mailed on October 12, 2005. In that Office Action, a three-month shortened statutory period was set for response. Applicants hereby petition for the necessary two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 to respond to that action and note that the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) in connection with this Reply will be paid during electronic filing via the Revenue Accounting and Management System.

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